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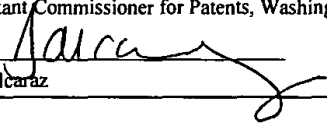
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GENERATION CIRCUIT FOR  
SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY  
DEVICE, MEMORY READING  
CIRCUIT INCLUDING THE SAME,  
AND ELECTRONIC INFORMATION  
DEVICE INCLUDING THE SAME

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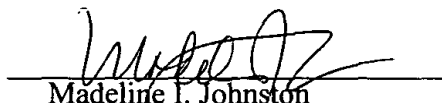
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